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In re application of

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GROUP 1645 . .

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METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR THE DIAGNOSIS OF EQUINE INFECTIOUS ANEMIA VIRUS DISEASE BY USING THE RECOMBINANT CAPSID PROTEIN VIRUS (P26)

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of March 15, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 3-5 and 7-9.

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Responsive to the requirement for restriction, Applicant elects Group I, claims 1, 2 and 6 without traverse.

Non-elected claims 3-5 and 7-9 are cancelled herewith but may be made the subject of a divisional application to be filed at any time during the pendency of the present application.